

"TOUGH ON THE OUTSIDE



SOFT AND SQUISHY ON THE INSIDE



SHARE THE ROAD

- Trends in motorcycle registrations indicate that more Washington residents are riding motorcycles now than in any time in the state's history.
- Every year, the number of motorcycle riders who are killed on Washington roads continues to climb. Most of these deaths occur during the summer months, during daylight, and on rural roads.
- Over half of all Washington motorcyclist fatalities occur in King, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties. The majority of riders killed were over 40 years old.
- One-third of all motorcycle riders involved in a fatal crash in Washington are not properly endorsed. If unendorsed riders are stopped by law enforcement, their bikes can be impounded. Be sure to "ENDORSE YOUR SPORT."
- Allow more following distance, 3 or 4 seconds, when following a motorcycle so the rider has enough time to maneuver or stop in an emergency. And don't tailgate. In dry conditions, motorcycles can stop more quickly than cars.
- Remember that motorcycle riders are often hidden in your car's blind spot. Always make a visual check for motorcycles by checking mirrors and blind spots before entering or leaving a lane of traffic or intersection.
- Our message to all drivers and riders is: Help reduce motorcycle fatalities. "Share the Road" with motorcycles.

RIDE SAFELY

A message from law enforcement and the Washington Traffic Safety Commission. For more information, go to www.wtsc.wa.gov and to www.endorseyoursport.com